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**Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

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Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

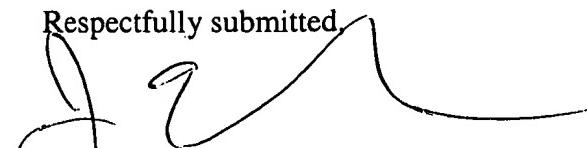
It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the outstanding Office Action be extended for a 3<sup>rd</sup> month from August 22, 2000, to September 22, 2000, by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)) is believed to be \$490.00 for the third month extension for a large entity. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge \$490.00 for the third month extension to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing docket number 04983.0151.00US01. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed. Payment for the first two months' extension was provided in our Check No. 333826 submitted on August 22, 2000. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing docket number 10/12/2000 04983.0151.00US01/38-21(15446)B. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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